

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 54-108 AND SECTION 54-109 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ROGERS, ARKANSAS; ESTABLISHING A NEW WATER RATE SCHEDULE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

**WHEREAS**, the Rogers Waterworks and Sewer Commission has been empowered by the Rogers City Council to oversee efficient operation of the Rogers Water Utilities; and

**WHEREAS**, the Rogers Water Utilities has commissioned a rate study for the Rogers Water Department;

**WHEREAS**, the rate study indicates that certain water rates need to be adjusted to keep up with rising costs for wholesale water, maintenance of the water system, and other expenses, and to maintain the Rogers Water Department on a sound fiscal footing;

**WHEREAS**, the management of the Rogers Water Utilities has prepared a new proposed water rate schedule as shown on the attached Exhibit 1;

**WHEREAS**, the Rogers Waterworks and Sewer Commission has passed its Resolution No. 19-21, recommending adoption of a new water rate schedule presented by the management of the Rogers Water Utilities; and

**WHEREAS**, having duly considered the matter, the Rogers City Council believes adopting a new water rate schedule comports with sound fiscal management of the Rogers Water Department and is in accordance with the best interests of the Rogers Water Utilities and its customers, and the best interests of the City of Rogers.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE ROGERS WATERWORKS AND SEWER COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF ROGERS, ARKANSAS:**

Section 1: The Rogers City Council hereby finds and declares that the water rates shown on the attached Exhibit 1 are fair, reasonable and necessary minimum rates and will produce revenues in each year at least sufficient to provide the estimated cost of operating and maintaining the water system, to pay the principal of and interest on all revenue bonds and any revenue promissory notes as they severally mature; to make such payments into a revenue bond sinking fund as may be required by ordinance or trust indenture, and to provide an adequate depreciation fund.

Section 2: Section 54-108 and Section 54-109 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Rogers, Arkansas are hereby amended to read as shown on the attached Exhibit 1, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as if set out word for word herein.

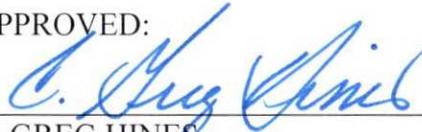
Section 3: As stated in Exhibit 1, the new water rate schedule shall be in full force and effect on April 1, 2020.

Section 4 - Severability Provision: In the event that any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase, or other provision or portion of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, the same shall not affect the validity of this Ordinance as a whole, or any part or provision, other than the part so decided to be invalid or unconstitutional, and the remaining provisions of this Ordinance shall be construed as if such invalid, unenforceable or unconstitutional provision or provisions had never been contained herein.

Section 5 - Repeal of Conflicting Provisions: All ordinances, resolutions or orders of the City Council, or parts of the same, in conflict with this Ordinance are repealed to the extent of such conflict.

PASSED this 26 th day of November 2019.

APPROVED:



C. GREG HINES,  
Mayor



Attest:



JENNIFER MOORE, Records Administrator

Requested By: Rogers Waterworks and Sewer Commission and the Rogers Water Utilities

Prepared By: Robert A. Frazier, Counsel for Rogers Waterworks and Sewer Commission and the Rogers Water Utilities

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**Sec. 54-108. Schedule of rates—Inside city.**

(a) The city council hereby finds and declares the rates in the following tables and other rates shown below to be reasonable and necessary minimum rates to be charged for customers inside city limits. The rates are effective for all bills issued on or after the effective dates shown below until the next effective date. For example, for bills issued on or after April 1, 2020, the rates shown in the column labeled “April 1, 2020” apply until July 1, 2021. On July 1, 2021, the rates shown in the column labeled “July 1, 2021” apply until July 1, 2022, and so on.

(1) *Monthly water rates for customers inside city limits:*

<i>Effective Date</i>	April 1, 2020	July 1, 2021	July 1, 2022	July 1, 2023	July 1, 2024	July 1, 2025
a. First 1,500 gallons or portion thereof, minimum	\$7.75	\$8.72	\$9.81	\$10.20	\$10.61	\$11.03
b. Next 98,500 gallons or portion thereof, per 1,000 gallons	\$3.36	\$3.78	\$4.26	\$4.43	\$4.60	\$4.78
c. Next 400,000 gallons or portion thereof, per 1,000 gallons	\$2.98	\$3.35	\$3.77	\$3.92	\$4.08	\$4.24
d. Next 500,000 gallons or portion thereof, per 1,000 gallons	\$2.71	\$3.05	\$3.43	\$3.57	\$3.71	\$3.86
e. More than 1,000,000 gallons or portion thereof, per 1,000 gallons	\$2.53	\$2.85	\$3.20	\$3.33	\$3.47	\$3.61

(2) *Monthly Meter Minimum*

a.	1-inch meter	\$9.90
b.	1 ½-inch meter	\$16.84
c.	2- inch meter	\$28.23
d.	3- inch meter	\$48.52
e.	4- inch meter	\$108.88
f.	6- inch meter	\$161.82

(3) *Fire Lines:* \$20.00 per month flat fee per fire line (unmetered water)

(4) *Private Fire Hydrant*: \$5.00 per month flat fee per hydrant

(b) The above noted rates do not include gross receipts taxes or other assessments or taxes.

\*State Law Reference: Ark. Code. Ann. § 14-234-214.

**Sec. 54-109. Schedule of rates—Outside city.**

(a) The city council hereby finds and declares the rates in the following tables and other rates shown below to be reasonable and necessary minimum rates to be charged for customers outside city limits. The rates are effective for all bills issued on or after the effective dates shown below until the next effective date. For example, for bills issued on or after April 1, 2020, the rates shown in the column labeled “April 1, 2020” apply until July 1, 2021. On July 1, 2021, the rates shown in the column labeled “July 1, 2021” apply until July 1, 2022, and so on.

(1) *Monthly water rates for customers outside city limits:*

<i>Effective Date</i>	April 1, 2020	July 1, 2021	July 1, 2022	July 1, 2023	July 1, 2024	July 1, 2025
a. First 1,500 gallons or portion thereof, minimum	\$9.92	\$11.16	\$12.56	\$13.06	\$13.58	\$14.12
b. Next 98,500 gallons or portion thereof, per 1,000 gallons	\$4.29	\$4.82	\$5.42	\$5.64	\$5.87	\$6.10
c. Next 400,000 gallons or portion thereof, per 1,000 gallons	\$3.80	\$4.28	\$4.81	\$5.01	\$5.21	\$5.42
d. Next 500,000 gallons or portion thereof, per 1,000 gallons	\$3.45	\$3.89	\$4.37	\$4.55	\$4.73	\$4.92
e. More than 1,000,000 gallons or portion thereof, per 1,000 gallons	\$3.24	\$3.65	\$4.10	\$4.26	\$4.44	\$4.62

(2) *Monthly Meter Minimum*

a.	1-inch meter	\$12.58
b.	1 ½-inch meter	\$21.29
c.	2- inch meter	\$35.80
d.	3- inch meter	\$63.36

e.	4- inch meter	\$140.04
f.	6- inch meter	\$209.63

(3) *Fire Lines*: \$20.00 per month flat fee per fire line (unmetered water)

(4) *Private Fire Hydrant*: \$5.00 per month flat fee per hydrant

(b) The above noted rates do not include gross receipts taxes or other assessments or taxes.

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